

## JOPLIN'S CLAIM TO PENNANT DENIED

Meeting Saturday, Held to Name All-Southwest Eleven, Develops Spirited Opposition to the Plan.

Joplin, Dec. 8.—Joplin's claim to the high school football championship of the Mineral Belt association was disputed at a meeting of the association coaches in Hotel Connors Saturday night. According to the decision of the coaches present, there was no eleven in the association which had qualified for the title by playing six Mineral Belt games.

The Mineral Belt officials evidently forgot that Monett had played seven Mineral Belt games during the year. The Monett eleven played Peirce City, Mt. Vernon, Carthage, Neosho, Aurora, Webb City and Columbus, Kansas, a total of seven games. According to the Mineral Belt constitution, as reported, Monett is entitled to the championship in spite of the fact that Engleman's eleven was defeated by Peirce City, Mt. Vernon and Carthage, for the sole reason that no other eleven played a sufficient number of games to qualify.

During the meeting here, several coaches branded the association as loosely constructed and recommended that the officials be reprimanded, for the reason that they had not kept the other officials informed of the progress of the association. Coach R. A. Graddy, president of the association, did not attend the meeting.

The coaches from Monett and Aurora asserted that Graddy had called off games with their teams a few minutes before the scheduled time and for that reason protested Joplin's claim to the title, which was based on the fact that the Miners won five games and took another on a forfeit, which procedure if consistently carried out would have forfeited contests to Monett and Aurora.

### BUTTERFIELD

Train No. 3 stopped for the first time Saturday evening to pick up Brandenburg who departed for California, going the southern route. Frank said he thought he would walk back when he came again.

The young people have the largest class in our Sunday school and will have charge and conduct the school next Sunday. Every body come and see what the young folks can do. While no doubt they will make some of us feel ashamed of ourselves we will feel proud of them.

Thos. Ferguson has given the overseer permission to round the two corners on the road leading out to Gunter and soon as the weather is favorable if we can get a little work done on it we will have at least one decent road out of Butterfield with all corners rounded.

A Mr. Rush of Buffalo, Mo., was here Saturday interviewing our people in the interest of a canning factory. It seems quite sure that we will have a factory as more than one interested in that line have their eye on Butterfield.

"moonshine" to others.

Mrs. Richardson left Monday for Cartersville to visit her father, Dr. Price.

Oscar Holder and family who have been in Belpre, Kansas for some months are expected to return home in a few days. Its hard to beat old Barry county.

One of the Will Riddle sons is suffering from an attack of pneumonia. Fred Jeffries will have a sale Saturday and expects to depart Saturday. We are sorry that trains 3 and 4 have been discontinued, especially on account of receiving no mail from the north in the evening. However we are beginning to realize to what extent things can be turned upside down by a great war and the re-construction period following it.

Some preparations are being made for a Christmas tree at the Union church.

The new bank, lodge hall and some of the merchants have had some nice signs put on their windows.

The W. O. W. held their first meeting in their new hall Saturday night and elected officers for the coming year. The Odd Fellows will organize next Saturday night.

The "dry" period no doubt will bring sunshine to many homes and night for California and of course will soon make enough to pay their expenses back to Barry county.

We ought to do some work on our phone lines or tear them all down as they are a strong temptation to a fellow to cuss.

### DRURY COLLEGE WILL HAVE TWO WEEKS' VACATION

The students of Drury college at Springfield will be allowed two weeks Christmas vacation. The vacation will begin December 19 and last until January 6. High school students will have one week, from December 19 to 29.

### REBEKAH LODGE ELECTS OFFICERS

The Eve Rebekah Lodge met in regular business session Monday evening, and elected officers for the ensuing year. The elected were: Noble Grand, Mrs. Bert McCaslin; Vice Noble Grand, Mrs. Fred Denno; Recording Secretary, Mrs. E. L. Jerome; Financial Secretary, Mrs. C. H. Ring; Treasurer, Mrs. Ollie Boynton.

The officers will be installed at their next meeting.

### LIBERTY NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. Otto Winton and sons were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. G. D. Mulkey, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Benbrook gave a tacky party at their home, Friday evening in honor of Robert Benbrook's birthday. The comical costumes of the guests created much amusement. Refreshments were served to about thirty guests. The evening was very pleasantly spent in games and a social time.

Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Jenkins entertained at dinner Sunday, Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Jenkins and son, Lynn and Mr. and Mrs. Talmadge Vantuyt.

Judge D. Winton attended court at Mt. Vernon, last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Mat Jones and Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Beckett and children visited Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Beckett, Sunday.

Thos. Jenkins went to Picher, Okla., Tuesday.

Emory Shipman of Kansas City, is spending a ten days vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Shipman.

Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Fletcher and Mr. and Mrs. G. D. Mulkey after having spent several days in Kansas City, returned home Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Spilman and children and Misses Minnie and Edna Wolf of Monett, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Wolf and son and Mrs. R. L. Matthews and family visited Mr. and Mrs. B. C. Wolf, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Y. E. Costley entertained at dinner, Sunday Mr. and Mrs. Merritt Costley and daughter, and Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Matthews.

### MILDRED MILLER DIES

Mildred Lucile, the 13-year-old daughter of Mrs. Guy Miller, died at 5:30 o'clock, Tuesday evening. Her death was caused by double pneumonia with heart complications.

Funeral services were held at the Methodist church at 2 o'clock, Thursday afternoon, conducted by the pastor, Rev. J. F. King.

The girl's father died last year of pneumonia. She is survived by her mother and brother, Gail.

The child had been making her home with her grandmother, Mrs. Stringer, since her father's death. She was a bright and lovable little girl.

### BAPTIST CAMPAIGN RESULTS IN SUBSCRIPTION OF \$3,911.25

Victory week of the \$75,000,000.00 campaign of the Southern Baptist Convention resulted in the following subscriptions from the Baptist church at this place:

William Jewell College, Liberty, Mo.	\$ 255.00
Stephens College, Columbia, Mo.	170.00
LaGrange College, LaGrange, Mo.	5.00
Hardin College, Mexico, Mo.	75.00
Will Mayfield College, Marble Hill, Mo.	10.00
South West Baptist College, Bolivar, Mo.	492.50
Missouri Baptists Ministers Aid Society	592.00
Missouri Baptists Orphans Home	1,111.25
Missouri Baptists Sanitarium	272.50
Missouri Home for Aged Baptists	928.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$3,911.25</b>

A large number of the members have not yet been solicited.

### COLDEST OF SEASON

Tuesday was the coldest day of the season, the mercury hovering around eight degrees above zero and at a late hour last night it had fallen to four above zero. A light snow fell early in the morning. Indications are that the cold wave will continue several days.

This is the most severe weather of the season all over the west and northwest; temperatures of 20 degrees below zero are reported from western Kansas; In Oklahoma they are having the coldest weather they have experienced for years. Train service on all western roads is running several hours behind schedule.

With the exception of No. 304, from Wichita, Kans., which was several hours late, and No. 5, which was one hour late, all arrived here on time today despite weather conditions.

J. W. Fitzjohn has been re-instated as engineer on the Frisco.

Don't forget to take home some of Gus' famous chili.

## PICHER INTERESTS TO REORGANIZE NATIONAL

Meeting of Depositors of Defunct Bank Will be Called to Perfect Plans for Institution.

Picher, Okla., Dec. 9.—Business men of Picher are being asked to pledge subscription to stock in a national bank which it is planned to open in the reorganization of the defunct First National bank which closed its doors Nov. 21. A committee composed of F. H. Dolson, W. C. Hale and Lloyd A. Daniels is circulating the petition.

It is the plan of promoters of the bank proposition to obtain subscriptions of the entire \$100,000 capital stock of the institution from local citizens. It is pointed out in the prospectus that no person who was a stockholder or official of the defunct institution will be permitted to own stock in the proposed bank.

The petition also states that the reorganization of the bank is to protect and hold harmless depositors of the defunct First National bank. A mass meeting of depositors probably will be called Wednesday night for the purpose of explaining the plan of the stockholders and to arrive at an agreement with them in the assumption of the deposits of the former bank.

### MURMURS FROM THE PRAIRIE

Frank Marion and family of Cato visited at the F. E. Hultgren home, Wednesday and Thursday.

Mrs. Verna Spain Jackson and children of Lebanon, came last Monday to spend a few days with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Spain.

Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Cornell visited last Wednesday afternoon at the Latshaw home near Globe.

Mrs. Tippler and daughter of Kansas visited from Tuesday until Saturday at A. T. Latshaw's. Mrs. Tippler and Mrs. Latshaw are sisters.

Mrs. Elsie Dummit Ash went to Verona, Saturday to spend a few days at the W. R. Browning home.

Little Herbert Tate is reported sick but we all hope it is nothing serious. F. F. Hultgren and F. A. Cornell attended quarterly conference of the Methodist church at Purdy Sunday and report a good meeting.

The Union Sunday school has decided to again have Christmas exercises on Christmas Eve at the Union church, a happy event looked forward to by the little folks.

Evert Jackson has the foundation in and is hauling lumber for a new house.

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Jackson visited at the W. E. Long home Sunday afternoon.

Rev. St. Louis, will fill his regular appointment at the Union church next Sunday. Come out and help encourage the new preacher by being present.

Arrangements have been made whereby Rev. Elmo St. Louis will preach on the second Sunday and Rev. Wilson on the fourth Sunday of each month, so hereafter preaching services at the Union church will be the second and fourth Sunday's of each month which will, no doubt, be more satisfactory. Don't forget to come.

### FARMER—LABORER—PROPRIETOR

The typical farmer has every reason to be opposed to bolshevik radicalism. Though he works with his hands and is a laborer in the most literal sense he is also a proprietor—a capitalist, if you please—and an employer of labor. As a consumer, he naturally favors reasonable prices for commodities in general, as a seller of products he inevitably deprecates industrial disturbance affecting the prosperity of the market, and as an employer he is out of sympathy with abnormally high wages and unreasonably shortened hours. The agriculturists, who form nearly a third of our population, are and have need to be loyal to established institutions, are and have need to be a conservative force in the country.—St. Joseph, Mo., Gazette.

Organizations which advise the farmer to adopt radical and socialistic measures as a means to secure special privileges for the farmers as a class, are advocating a policy which if carried to a final conclusion could only mean the wiping out of individual ownership of land and farms in this nation. Farmers as a rule see this danger.

A Fairview prophet says that the temperature will drop to 60 degrees below zero on December 16. But as another forecaster says the we will come to an end the 17th, we should worry.

Speaking of hope long deferred, there is the case of a boy who depends upon his snow-shoveling money to do his Christmas shopping.—St. Louis Times.

### COLD WAVE STRIKES THE SOUTHWEST

A cold wave struck this section early Tuesday morning. The temperature gradually lowered all day Tuesday and reached the zero mark after midnight. There was a slight fall of snow, Tuesday, with clearing weather Tuesday afternoon and Wednesday.

### GIVEN CHARIVARI PARTY

Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Carlin, who were married Saturday, December 6, were given a charivari party Monday evening by their friends. The young people serenaded them with bells, tin cans, and horns and they were invited in to spend the evening. Refreshments were served to Misses Dickerson, Marie, Blanche and Alma Gillioz, Edna Lautaret, Frona Carlin, Mary Spahr, Irene Carlin, Ruth Haddock, Sybil Browning, Ava Banks, Ruth Russell; Messrs Francis Warner Ben Horine, Cecil Long, Henry Lautaret, Lawrence and Lewis Roetto, Tilman Lautaret, Armand Carlin Mr. and Mrs. Vermillion, Mr. and Mrs. Wormington, Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Carlin.

### FRISCO LIFTS EMBARGO ON FREIGHT SHIPMENTS

The freight embargo on the Frisco system was lifted Tuesday after it had been in force for almost two weeks with the exception of an interval on December 2, when it was lifted for twenty-four hours.

There will be no embargo on freight shipments of any kind from any point along the Frisco system unless further instructions are received.

The embargo was placed in effect so that the railroad company could use all the surplus cars for the purpose of transporting coal, wood, oil and merchandise.

### HEREFORD CLUB SOON TO COMPLETE ORGANIZATION

A boys' and girls' club sponsored by the Southwest Missouri Hereford Breeders' Association is receiving much interest and the organizers soon expect to have sufficient data in hand to warrant the pushing of the plans and the final organization of the club. Zack Galoway and T. H. Loy of Aurora are the leaders in the club.

The club members will finance the applicants, not requesting the assistance of any bank. This assistance will take the form of advice and of bidding at the auction, it is believed.

### CARLIN—COX

Virgil Carlin and Miss Vera Cox, accompanied by Charles Carlin, Virgil's father, motored to the home of Rev. Sherman Erickson, last Saturday evening and were married.

The bridegroom is the son of Charles Carlin living south of Monett and the bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Cox living near Bethel.

We get Gem Nut Oleo fresh every day at Saxe's Market. Phone 112, 181f

Frank M. Shriver, Vice-Pres.  
G. W. FINN, Vice-Pres.

## EIGHT CARS COAL MINED IN MISSOURI PITS

Governor Gardner Says Workers Will Continue Efforts Until the Strike Is Settled—Men Work in Storm.

Jefferson City, Mo., Dec. 9.—Although the mercury hovered only a few degrees above zero during the day the volunteer coal miners of Missouri labored in the strip pits of Barton county and by dusk eight cars of coal had been loaded. Three additional mines were being worked today, making eight of the fifteen seized last week, producing coal under state operation.

Considerable delay in the work of pumping out the flooded mines, because of unfavorable weather, was reported. In numerous incidents the pumps froze. Had the weather been favorable, it was estimated fully twenty-five cars of coal would have been produced today.

Until a settlement of the coal strike and return of the miners, Governor Frederick D. Gardner said tonight, the state will continue to produce coal and take over additional mines.

### SEXTON—LONG

Robert Sexton and Miss Gladys Long, both living at Purdy, were quietly married at the home of the bride on Sunday, December 7. Rev. Sherman Erickson performing the ceremony.

Robert was one of the lucky boys who saw service in France and was permitted to come back home.

There were quite a few relatives and friends present at the wedding.

## Farm Loans WANTED

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### SUBSCRIPTION RATES WILL BE RAISED

Owing to the increase in cost of production it will be necessary for The Times to raise the subscription rates the first of the year.

The Weekly Times will be raised from \$1.50 to \$2.00 per year at that time.

The Daily Times by carrier will be raised from \$4.00 per year in advance to \$4.40 per year when paid in advance. The rate by the month by carrier will remain at 40 cents for the present.

The Daily Times will be raised from \$3.00 to \$3.50 per year when paid in advance. Those who take the Times by mail by the month will be charged 35 cents instead of 30. The Daily mailed out of town will be \$1.00 for three months, if paid in advance.

This very moderate raise in price is made necessary by the high price of print paper, increased postal rates, high cost of labor and many other considerations.

The Times will continue to improve and we think no one will question the fact that the paper is worth all its costs. We endeavor to publish all the local news of Monett and vicinity and boost for our town, county, state and nation.

Mrs. J. H. Dunlap recently sold her home on North Lincoln avenue to Robert Vogt, the plumber. Mrs. Dunlap has bought the McRay cottage at 403 Third street, where she will make her home.



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## MONETT STATE BANK

CAPITAL STOCK & SURPLUS \$65,000.00

MONETT, MO., December 8, 1919

### A MESSAGE TO OUR CHRISTMAS SAVINGS CLUB MEMBERS

It is with great pleasure that we are today mailing out checks in payment of the balances due our 1919 Club members.

We wish to thank our customers and friends for their patronage and support given us in this department and invite them to deposit their savings in a permanent savings account in our bank.

We are discontinuing our Christmas Savings Club, believing that we can serve our customers better by offering them the service of our well organized Savings Department.

We pay interest at the rate of 4 per cent, compounded semi-annually on our savings deposits and on account of this kind is more desirable to the customer as the money can be withdrawn at any time by presenting the pass book at the bank.

We would be pleased to have you call and let us explain the advantages offered by our Savings Department.

Yours very truly,

MONETT STATE BANK